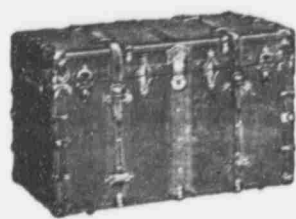


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Local and Personal Items

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

Mrs. J. E. Davis, of Nocatee, was here this morning shopping.

Charlie Martin, of Fort Ogden, was in Arcadia today.

Tom Dekker, a well known Tampa man, is in this city today.

W. B. Crawford, of Kissimmee, is registered at the DeSoto today.

T. A. LaBier, of the Lakes region, is in the city today.

A. C. Freeman has returned from a short visit to Tampa.

F. W. Merrick, traveling agent for the Royal Typewriter, is in Arcadia.

J. M. McCaskle, of Lakeland, is stopping at the Arcadia House.

H. A. Boggs, of Tampa, is a guest at the Arcadia House.

O. M. Kelly, a prominent citizen of Bartow, is here today.

W. B. Brown, of Wauchula, is a business visitor in our city today.

G. R. Pettes, of Jacksonville, is in our city today.

D. N. Connet is a visitor from Ohio today.

C. H. Ridd, of Chicago, is a guest at the Arcadia House.

Leon Sauls, a prominent citizen of Ona, is in Arcadia today.

Mrs. E. B. Reed returned from Tampa last evening.

M. M. Archard returned from Punta Gorda yesterday.

T. H. Falkling, of Atlanta, is a guest at the DeSoto today.

Miss Nellie Petery is a visitor in Arcadia today.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Morgan, of this city, went to Fort Ogden today to attend the burial of J. O. Carr, of that city.

Mrs. Miles Saul, arrived in this city from Bowling Green this morning to visit Mrs. William Platt.

Col. A. Yancey Teachy, a prominent lawyer of Wauchula, was in the city yesterday.

D. R. Cameron, a well known Arcadian, has returned from a short stay at Bowling Green.

Mr. Huxley and Mr. Julson, two prominent Fort Myers attorneys, were in Arcadia today.

V. J. Garren, a prominent citizen of Tampa, is registered at the Arcadia House.

C. E. Meyer, a prominent citizen of Tampa, is with us today. He is a guest at the Arcadia House.

B. S. Fauburn, a well known citizen of Bradentown, is in Arcadia today.

L. K. Kenwin is a guest at the Arcadia House today. Mr. Kenwin is from New York.

L. A. Hough, of Cedar Rapids, is registered at the Arcadia House today.

Mrs. William Hendry, who has been visiting her son, Jim Craig, of this city, returned to her home in Fort Myers this morning.

J. A. Bennett, the well known general passenger agent of the East and West Coast Railway Company, returned from a short visit to Tampa today.

George Gaskins, a well known man of the lake regions, returned today from a trip to Atlanta and other places in Georgia.

L. A. Gaines, of Jacksonville, is in the city today on business. Mr. Gaines is registered at the Arcadia House.

Patrick Houston, a popular young man of this city, who has been visiting friends in Tampa, returned to Arcadia this morning to take his position in Co. K.

Miss Daisy Gidden, the charming young lady who has been the visitor of Mrs. Tom Lyke and her sister, Miss Hazel King, left this morning for her home in Tampa.

The stork presented Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Zimmerman with a beautiful little 9-pound baby girl yesterday morning. Both the mother and daughter are in fine health.

Miss Grace Strubling, the popular canning club demonstrator of this city, left today for Wauchula, where she will give a series of lectures on canning.

Colonel Blandon, of Wauchula, is in the city today helping the commanding officer of Co. K to make final arrangements toward the local company leaving in the morning for the Black Point training camp.

O. F. Landers, the well known foreman of the mechanical department of the News, will go up to Jacksonville tomorrow. Mr. Landers hopes to return Sunday though it may be a few days later before he leaves the Florida Gateway City.

Very interesting services were held Sunday at Boca Grande when the new Baptist church was dedicated. Dr. Rogers, of Jacksonville, secretary of the Baptist State Board of Missions, was in Boca Grande and preached the dedicatory sermon. It is said that the new church of the Deep Water City is a credit to any city the size of Boca Grande, and the citizens of that place are justly proud of it.

William H. Hooker, formerly a well known citizen of this county, but who now lives in Hillsborough county, arrived here yesterday afternoon for a short stay with friends and relatives. Mr. Hooker recently purchased James P. Martin's plantation, commonly known as the Fertile Valley Ranch. The price paid for this place is said to have been \$110,000. Mr. Hooker stated that he will return to Seffner within the next few days and remain there, so as to be able to give his personal attention to this large place.

BARBECUE AT LABELLE.

Don't forget on the 28th to attend at LaBelle the grand barbecue and band concert by the Fort Myers band and speaking by Herbert J. Drane.

representative in congress, and Prof. Francis A. Perry, member house of representatives, and delegates from five different counties interested in a deep water highway by way of the lakes and Caloosahatchee river from ocean to gulf. Think what this deep water would mean not only to the Caloosahatchee valley and alake region, but to all south Florida and the world at large, and we are not likely to forget the date. It sounds good and reads like a beautiful dream, but will be much more reality to it when done, and it is sure to come, and on its arrival with the railroads and hard roads we are soon to have when old DeSoto and Lee, Palm Beach, Broward and Dade counties can shake hands over this fertile country with its rich soil and magnificent climate, with its sea level canal from ocean to gulf. This strip of country will then be the American Eden of Paradise. Then why not work for it, talk for it and fight for it, and this dream is sure to be realized, for right will always win, and nature has so endowed this strip of country heaping her rich gifts upon it with such a lavish hand, not only in a rich and fertile soil, but in the lay of the country, we find such advantages for a deep waterway to connect ocean and gulf that in making same we would only be carrying out nature's plans and over all the finest climate in the world, with its soft southern breezes floating through the magnificent orange groves and luscious fruits of many kinds here, one can have a home that is a home in the real sense of the word. Then why not work for this canal, which will put the finishing touches to this picture?

E. C. GOODNO.

POLYANNA CLUB IS ENTERTAINED.

Saturday afternoon Miss Elizabeth Jones very delightfully entertained the Polyantha Club at her home. Sewing was the pastime of the afternoon, after which the hostess served delicious refreshments, consisting of cream and cake.

The members present were: Misses Birdie Scott, Clara Blake, Susie Stonebraker, Marjorie Clay, Eva Link, Charlotte Seward, Ida Belle Appleby and Mattie Langford.

The club will meet next Saturday afternoon with Miss Eva Link.

INDUCEMENTS OFFERED TO BECOME SOLDIERS.

For some time past the C. H. & N. Railway has had posted at their shops in this city a sign stating that if any of their employees would join any military organization that the company would pay them their full salary while on the state encampments. Five of the C. H. & N. employees joined Co. K, and as agreed they will receive two weeks' full pay after leaving here in the morning for the state camp grounds. The Scott Telephone Company of this city, has made the same agreement with their workmen, and two will leave with the Arcadia company tomorrow. These two progressive companies have also agreed to keep the positions of the men going to the border open until their return.

COUNTY COURT.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

As soon as county court convened yesterday afternoon for the afternoon session, the case of the state of Florida vs. John Hinson, who is charged with trespass, was called for hearing. This was the second time this term of court that this case was called, the first trial resulting in a mistrial. From 1 o'clock until 10 last night the case was in progress. The jury retired to their rooms at 10:05 to consider the testimony, and it was after 11 o'clock when they returned into the court room with the announcement that they could not reach a verdict. The court then ordered them discharged and declared the case a mistrial. It is not known at this time whether the case will be again tried at this term.

CATTS WINS OVER KNOTT BY 196 VOTES.

The total vote for governor, two high candidates, gives W. V. Knott 30,503, S. J. Catts 30,699, a majority for Catts of 196.

The vote is official as tabulated at Tallahassee, save for Duval, Lee and Madison counties.

The royalty of Europe continues to contribute most generously of their treasure to assist in meeting the heavy war expenses. But recently King George, of England, added \$500,000 to the amount he has already contributed.

SURETY BOND IS MADE GOOD.

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mer city tax collector. Criminal prosecution can be instituted by the company. Whether the company will take action or not is not known at the present time, but such action is usually the case.

Hollingsworth's trial in the criminal court has been set for July 13. He is charged with grand embezzlement in several different counts. Information for prosecution has been filed with Solicitor W. H. Jackson covering the charges.

GO SOUTHWARD MEANS WAR.

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ports that their leaving the country might be expedited. The government has announced that there will be no restrictions placed on any American who desires to leave Mexico. Many have already left, and others are preparing to leave.

The organized labor element here is apparently desirous of peace. A delegation from the local unions has left for Piedras Negras, where it will hold a conference with a delegation of members of the American Federation of Labor. The plan is to do whatever is possible to preserve peace between the two countries.

CO. K READY FOR THE FRONT.

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Lanier Drope, Carl Funk, H. W. Johnson, Grant Stroup, H. M. Strickland, Walter Smith, S. C. Smith, J. M. Weeks, Cooks: C. W. Willis, Trex Stucky and Willie Lee.

Somebody is actually advertising quackless ducks. Now for crowless roosters and barkless dogs.—Spokane (Wash.) Spokesman-Review.



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